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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Jeffrey A. Hubbell et al.	Art Unit:	1615
Serial No.:	09/559,984	Examiner:	L. Di Nola Baron
Filed:	April 26, 2000	Customer No.:	21559
Title:	IN SITU FORMING HYDROGELS		

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND  
INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.191

Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 26, 2003, in which the Office rejected claims 1-21 of the above-captioned patent application.

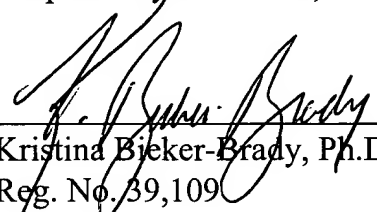
Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including March 26, 2004.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$165.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) for this Notice of Appeal. If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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